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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	
In re application of: Nobuo Okazaki, et al.	Date: August 30, 2004
Serial Number: 10/604,202	Examiner: Paul M. Gurzo
Filed: 7/1/03	Group Art Unit: 2881
Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR FORMING ALIGNMENT LAYER	IBM Corporation D/18G, B/300, Zip 482 2070 Route 52 Hopewell Junction, NY 12533-6531

#### TELEPHONE INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2004, the following response is being submitted to place the above-identified application in prima facie condition for allowance.

Following is a summary of the Telephone Interview conducted with the Examiner on July 17, 2004.

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